

Table 10 A. Fear of Crime by Social Characteristics: Households with a Dog in the Household, Dog in Household for Safety, and Alarm or Safety Lights: 1998
(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristics	Total Households	Dog in household	Dog is for safety*	Alarm or safety lights
		Percent	Percent	Percent
All households				
Total	102,652	32.7	30.1	29.6
Age of householder				
15 to 29	12,686	27.6	29.8	19.0
30 to 44	34,628	38.8	33.0	29.0
45 to 64	33,549	36.3	28.0	33.5
65 or older	21,788	20.6	27.5	31.0
Sex of householder				
Male	56,448	35.2	29.0	30.8
Female	46,204	29.7	31.8	28.2
Race of householder				
White	86,272	35.3	29.7	30.2
Black	12,474	17.9	35.7	26.3
Other	3,906	23.2	31.8	29.2
Ethnicity of householder				
Hispanic	8,794	28.5	44.0	20.0
White non-Hispanic	78,219	35.9	28.4	31.2
Household structure				
Non-family alone	28,005	18.7	31.8	26.0
Non-family with others	3,647	30.2	30.7	25.3
Married, no children	27,345	35.5	26.4	37.7
Married with children	26,955	46.5	30.5	31.7
Unmarried, no children	5,804	29.3	28.6	24.1
Unmarried with children	10,896	30.3	37.9	18.1
Householder disability				
Disabled	9,720	32.3	34.5	22.0
Not disabled	92,932	32.8	29.7	30.5
Health insurance coverage				
Not insured	20,451	32.8	35.4	18.6
Insured	82,201	32.7	28.8	32.4
Housing tenure				
Home owner	68,632	39.3	29.0	37.1
Renter	34,020	19.4	34.6	14.7

* Universe includes only households with dogs.

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